

Post-Office Notifications.

A mail will close

For Shanghai.—*The ste. China to-day, the 17th instant, at 11:30 A.M.*
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—*Per Catherine to-morrow, the 18th instant, at 1:30 P.M.*
For Amoy.—*Per ste. Mira, to-day, the 17th instant, at 1:30 P.M.*
For Swatow, Amoy, and Fouchou.—*Per Jeng, to-morrow, the 18th instant at 2:30 P.M.*
For Swatow, Amoy, and Fouchou.—*Per Yuen, to-morrow, the 18th instant at 2:30 P.M.*
For Manila.—*Per Santa Ana, on Thursday, the 19th instant, at 12:30 P.M.*
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—*Per Indian Mail Packet Hindistan, on Saturday, the 21st instant, at 11:30 A.M.*

TOR INDIA, EUROPE, &c.

Per La Compagnie des Services Maritimes des Messageries Impériales de France, le "Dumont," on THURSDAY, the 18th instant, at 11 A.M.
To and through the Straits Settlements, to Manille, to France and other Continental States in a closed Mail to France; to Saigon, Singapore, Cebu, Interoceanic to Batavia, Rangoon and Mauritius, Suez and Alexandria, after which no letters can be received.
Letters for Registration will be forwarded until 10 A.M. on the 18th instant.

All correspondence intended to be conveyed by the Yacht of the above-named company, must be superscribed *per Messagerie Impériale Paquet "Dumont."*

Money Orders on any of the money Office Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 10 A.M. on the 18th instant.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 16th May, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that hereafter the fee for registering each letter addressed to the United Kingdom or Foreign Countries, when forwarded in transit through the United Kingdom, will be 10 cents, instead of five cents as hitherto.

Australia.
Austria.
Buenos-Ayres, (Germany).
Batavia.
Beckenfeld.
Brazil.
Demarcat.
Frankfurt-on-the-Main.
Hankow.
Hesse-Darmstadt.
Hesse-Electoral.
Hesse-Nassau.
Hessensburgh.
Hollandsch.
Holland.
Lima.
Lyons.
London.
Lyons.
Marseilles.
Moscow.
Nagasaki.
Norway.
Peking.
Rangoon.
San Francisco.
Siam.
Singapore.
Switzerland.
Tientsin.
Yokohama.

Oporto.
Paris.
Rangoon.
Santo Domingo.
Shanghai.
Siam.
Szechuan-Lopas.
Schwartzburg-Rudol.
St. Petersburg.
Sunderland.
Tientsin.
United States of America.
Yokohama.

P. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1870.

It is hereby notified, that hereafterward Printed papers and patterns posted in Hongkong or in any part of China or Japan, addressed to Australia, may be forwarded by the British Mail Packet for a postage of six cents for a packet not exceeding ten ounces in weight, with six cents additional for every four ounces in excess, which must be paid in advance.

P. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 13th April, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information, by order of His Excellency Sir Richard GREAVES MACDONALD, that the system of registration has been, from this date, extended to all letters and other descriptions of correspondence transmitted by the Post, in the Mails by both the British Consular Service and by Private Ships, between this Office and any Agency thereof in China and Japan, viz.: Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Ningbo, Shanghai, Hankow, Nanking, Higo, and Yokohama, and also between any two of those places.
The fee for registration is 5 cents, such letters, &c.

No Letter, Book, or packet of patterns can be registered unless the full postage upon it, as well as the registration fee, be paid in advance in postage stamps.

Lettres, &c., for registration will be received up to half an hour before the time fixed for closing the Mails.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 13th October, 1869.

It is hereby notified for general information, that, under the provisions of a Treasury Warrant dated the 7th December last, the scale of Progression of Weight having half-an-ounce for its unit, has been extended to all Letters forwarded between this Office and any of the Ports in China and Japan and to letters addressed to Manila, Peking, Saigon, Pondicherry, Bangkok, London, Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Ceylon, India, Suez, Malta and the Ionian Islands, Gibraltar, and Spain and Portugal via Gibraltar.

The rates of postage chargeable in future on Letters addressed to those places will therefore advance by a single rate of postage for each half-ounce.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 14th February, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information that the rates of Postage (which must be paid in advance) chargeable upon Printed Papers and Patterns of Men's Dressing, addressed to Consularships, will hereafter be as follows, viz.:

For a Packet not exceeding 2 ounces..... 5 cents.
For a Packet above 2 ounces and not exceeding 4 ounces..... " "
For a Packet above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces..... " "
and so on, adding 5 cents for every additional 4 ounces.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1869.

It is hereby notified, that, under the authority of a Treasury Warrant dated the 1st May last, Superintending and Postal Officers in the Army will, in future, be entitled to the same privileges in regard to Letters sent by or addressed to them in places where private affairs are as yet unsettled, except by Commissioned Officers in the Army; and all Army Schoolmasters will be authorized by the Army Schoolmasters of all but the First (now gone) and the second private ranks, to send their Letters, as are enjoyed by non-Commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 24th July, 1868.

It is hereby notified that hereafterward the rates of postage which must be paid in advance chargeable on Packets of printed papers or patterns of light weight sent from Hongkong to the United Kingdom by the United States' Packet Vessels, will be as follows, viz.

For a packet not exceeding 1 ounce
in weight..... 2 cents.
For a packet above 1 ounce and not exceeding 2 ounces..... " "
For a packet above 2 ounces but not exceeding 4 ounces..... " "
and eight cents forevery additional four ounces.
These rates apply to letters addressed to Genoa, Lyons, Madrid, Paris, Rome, St. Petersburg, Vienna, and all printed papers, other than Newspapers, as well as to Books and Trade Patterns or Samples.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 12th April, 1870.

It is hereby notified for general information, that the rates of postage (which must be paid in advance) upon Letters addressed to Genoa, Lyons, Madrid, Paris, Rome, and New Brunswick, will hereafter be as follows, viz.:

When forwarded by British, 42 cents each half-ounce.
When forwarded by Marselles, 39 cents each half-ounce.
When forwarded by Southampton, 23 cents each half-ounce.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 28th February, 1870.

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